



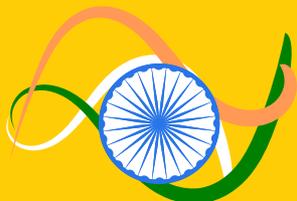
JUST NEWS



A Monthly Newsletter from the Justice Newsdesk



CELEBRATING THE 75TH INDEPENDENCE DAY OF OUR NATION



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FEATURED ARTICLE

Edmund and India



CELEBRATING FOUNDER'S DAY 2022

The similarities between Ireland and India are deeper than just sharing the first letter in their names or the colours in their flags. Eighteenth-century Ireland was a country occupied by an outside power like India and what is of even greater coincidence is that the occupier of both countries was the same. The British rulers who subjugated our nation were also responsible for the subjugation of the native Irish people in the times of Edmund. To top off the list of similarities, both countries were divided into two nations based on religion when they attained freedom from their foreign rulers. Thus when we talk about Edmund Rice and India, there is much that we can relate to.

Like so many of our Indian leaders, Edmund fought against the external rulers of his day in non-violent ways. He supported his countrymen and women whenever they were caught in legal snares. He rushed to their help by providing financial aid and legal counsel to those in need, besides using his networks as a businessman in getting their causes and cases heard by influential people in the circles of power. In addition to this, he gave up his own time to go to those in prisons and listen to them. When they lost their appeals and were sentenced to death, he would meet them and offer them the assurance of looking after those they would leave behind and he followed up on his promises.

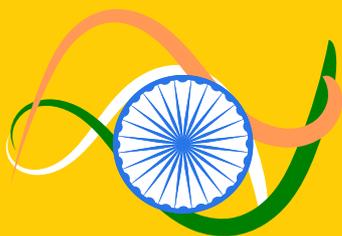
Edmund fought against the system too in getting schools approved for the education of the local Catholic children. Besides these battles, Edmund promoted Irish cultures and traditions like the local sports of hurling, Gaelic football and Gaelic handball in the Christian Brother schools as well as by teaching Gaelic, the traditional language of Ireland, in his schools. Edmund believed in freedom with responsibility for each and everyone and did everything that he could to provide dignity and equality. Although his main focus was to educate the poor and the Catholics of early 19th century Ireland, he did not refuse people because of their religion or financial standing and did all that he could to make each individual he interacted with feel like they were loved and valued as children of God.

As we celebrate 75 years of freedom in India, let us also follow in the footsteps of Edmund by treating everyone with respect and dignity, irrespective of their religious or cultural traditions. Let us give our very best to our nation and fellow citizens, for as Edmund said "Have courage, the good seed will grow up ... later on."

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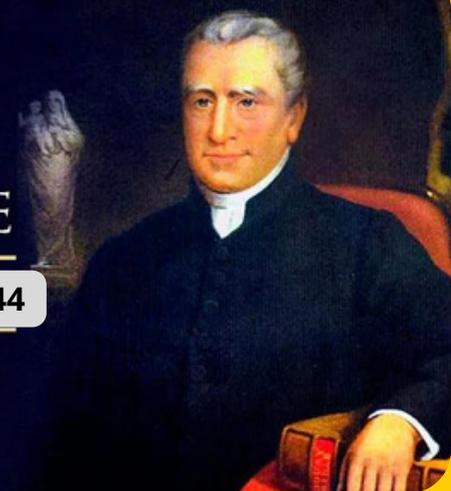


The Newsletter Team welcomes Br. Sameer and thank him for his contributory article. Brother is the Bursar of the Indian Province of the Christian Brothers and will be part of our school community too. He has been an Educator for many years and we will look forward to attending his teaching sessions.



BLESSED
EDMUND RICE

1 JUNE 1762 - 29 AUGUST 1844



MY ASPIRATIONS ON INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY

Shaun Steni, 10E

On December 17, 1999, the UN General Assembly endorsed International Youth Day. It was first celebrated on August 12th, 2000, and ever since the day has been used to educate society. This day is dedicated to the different roles young women and men play in bringing change in tackling global issues and achieving sustainable development. It also serves as an opportunity to raise awareness of the challenges and problems facing the world's youth. This year, the International Youth Day's theme is "intergenerational solidarity: creating a world for all ages". The purpose is to amplify the message that action is needed from all generations to achieve Agenda 2030 and its 17 SDGs and leave no one behind.

On this day, I would like to tell you what my aspirations for this Youth Day are. I believe each one of us has a hidden potential, and we should not hide it. There are so many programs conducted with the intention of bringing out and showcasing the talent of the youth of the world. Imagine the situation of the youth during the World Wars and how many were forced to fight and die. They weren't gifted with the option of finding their true talent and reaching their maximum potential. We know the past better than anyone else and have realized that peace is the way to a better future. I believe the youth of this generation and the next would be able to understand each other much better than the past generations. And this youth will put together their talents towards the development of the central goal of a better future.

On the occasion of International Youth Day, promise yourself to become a responsible youth and to work for the development and brighter future of the country. May we always shine bright as the vigor and power of youth is unmatched. Also remember to uphold that true Columban spirit stowed within all of us.



Together
We Can!

WORDS & GENDER BIAS

Uday Singh, 10E



Are words also gender-biased? Can we use them indiscriminately? Let's talk about the most recent controversy that is surrounding the newly elected president "Droupadi Murmu". As we all know she is the first tribal and the second female president of India. The controversy started after Congress leader Adhir Ranjan Chowdhary referred to President Droupadi Murmu as 'Rashtrapatni'. The Leader of the Opposition called it a "slip of tongue," but the BJP accused him of insulting India's first tribal President. And while the political slugfest continues, the row has also triggered an old debate on how to address a woman President, particularly in Hindi. When India's first woman President, Pratibha Patil, took over the post in 2007, a similar debate ensued. Some had suggested 'Rashtrapatni' but it was rejected at the time. Eventually, Patil was referred to as Rashtrapati. However, women's rights activists have lashed out at the term Rashtrapati as they say it is gender biased and patriarchal. The word is considered to be one for a man because of the 4 letters at the end which are "Pati" which means husband in Hindi. Some activists have also suggested that we take up a "gender neutral" term for the highest constitutional position of our country, while many specialists say that since it's a constitutional post it is gender neutral. In 1947, this was even a point of debate in the constituent assembly where members had suggested other titles such as neta and Karnadhar which means captain. Then a committee was even formed so as to deliberate on this and give a written submission, which was rejected by Pandit Nehru and the term RASTRAPATI was finalised. But still, the question remains, is the word Rashtrapati really gender-biased? Or are we making it so just because of 4 letters?

Sources: Times of India & India Today

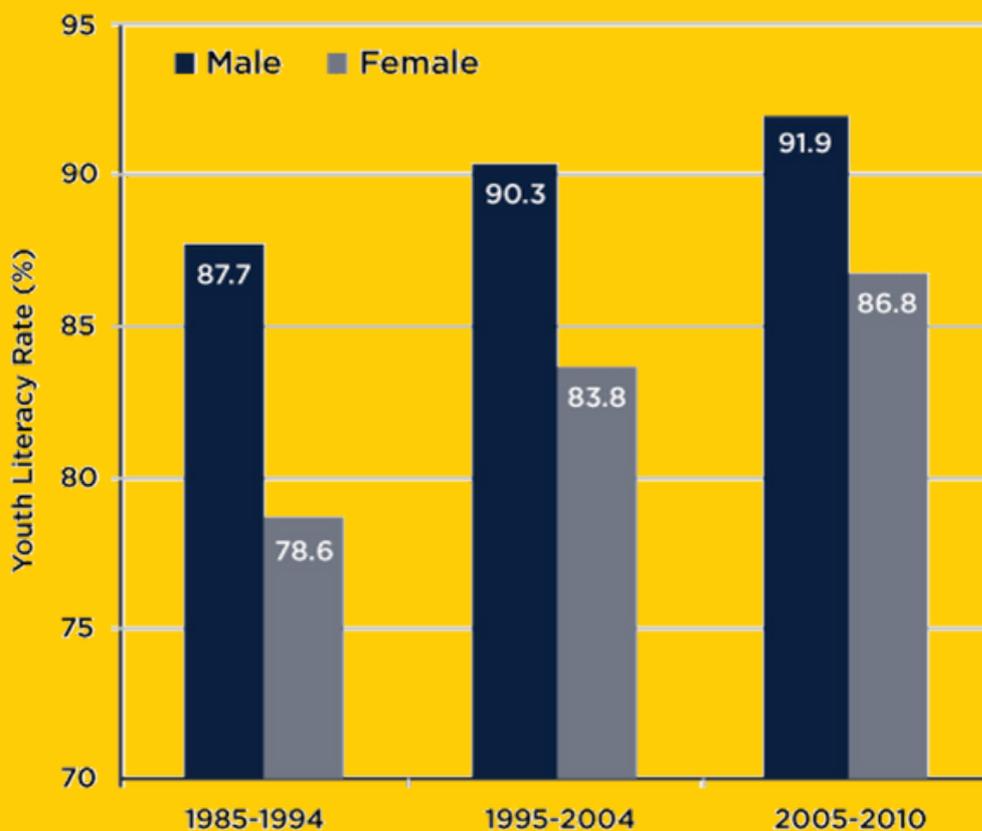


INDIA, GENDER EQUALITY & EDUCATION

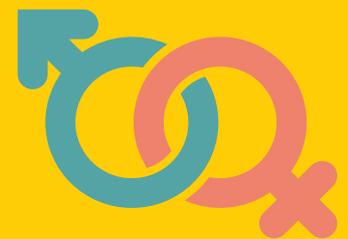
Stephen Sunny 12F

Gender equality has been one of the major problems in Indian society for the past 75 years. It's very hard to change patriarchal mindsets as it is embedded in the psyche of our society. For all the measures that have been taken to ensure gender equality, there still does not seem to be a drastic change in the way Indian society thinks about women and their rights.

Women going to work is still a stigma in most of the rural regions, and men choosing housework are still looked down upon across the country. To battle this there have been many efforts and programs by the government and the public but the effectiveness of these programs has been questionable, as mentioned earlier. To change the mindset of people, education systems play a critical role and would help people realize the importance of treating all genders equally.



Source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics in EdStats, July 2011



According to the above graph India is slowly but surely improving the number of women being educated in the country. As this trend continues to grow in a healthy manner we are starting to see a future where a person is not treated differently due to their gender but rather the quality of work they do. Education then is the key to Gender Equality.

AWARENESS THROUGH MUSIC

Joel Reji, 12E

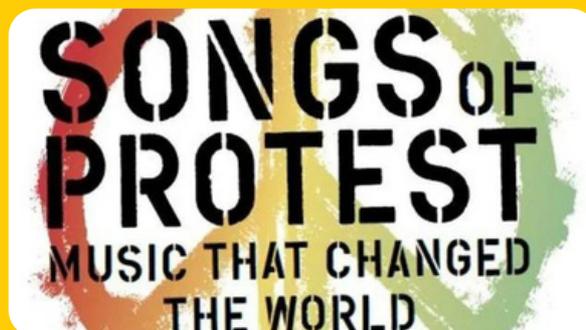


AMERICAN IDIOT (SONG) – GREEN DAY

The seventh studio album “American Idiot” by Green Day was released on 21st September 2002. The record came out of nowhere and blew everyone away with its biting political subversion, exploration of teenage angst, and the idea of youth opposing war and violence with a particular reference to 9/11 and Iraq War. The first track of the album holds a profound meaning which is indeed much relevant to this day.

The song talks about and rails against the American media and the Bush administration. The band calls out the American media for creating mass hysteria through propaganda and people who gave in to that hysteria and fear were who Billie Joe Armstrong called “ The American Idiot”. The group revealed the song was written out of anger about not being represented by the world's leaders rightly.

Over 15 years after its release, American Idiot is still as important today as it ever was. American Idiot remains not only Green Day’s finest work, but also one of the best song of its decade. Although the song showcased astounding growth for the group in every way, its greatest achievement was (and still is) representing the truest purpose of art: to represent the struggles of the human condition and reflect on the injustices and illogicality of the age in which we live.



THE WATER SPIRIT

A Short Story by Ayan Sharma & Vansh Choudhary 8A

Once upon a time, there was a boy named Sam. He loved to see plastic bags float in water. Thus, he always ordered canteen food that was served in plastic containers. One day, he was about to throw another plastic bag in the water body, before the water started glowing. A Spirit with blue eyes and a translucent body arose, while the water shook. Sam stood in amazement, with his eyes wide open.

"Boy, don't throw plastic in my home.", the Spirit said.

"But why, Friend, it's so fun! Seeing the wonderful shimmering material floating on your roof. You must thank me for the show I've created for your friends and neighbors!" Sam replied with great confidence.

The Spirit grabbed Sam's hand and pulled him into the water. Showing him the dead marine wildlife. "If the 'show' goes on there won't be any audience." Sam's eyes looked down as he said, "I'm so sorry o' Spirit of the Water. I didn't know that our seeking comfort could kill life in water."

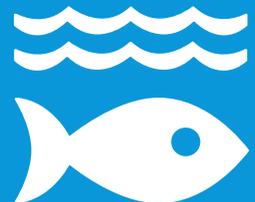
"Don't worry child, it's not too late. You must encourage others to save water as well.", the Spirit said while it slowly turned into vapor.



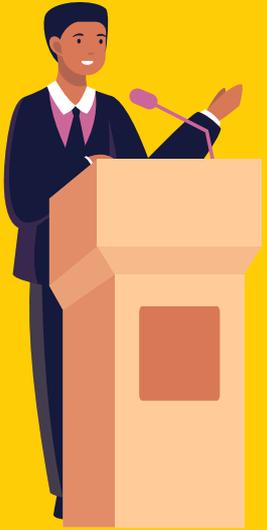
6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION



14 LIFE BELOW WATER



RECITATIONS & SPEECHES



"Poetry comes alive through recitation".

Class 9 inter-class Ballad and Poetry recitation was held on the 28th of August in the MSA. The students recited timeless ballads from the Victorian period to the contemporary. The recitation proved to be a perfect opportunity for the young students to exhibit their talent and confidence. The event inspired class 9 students to come forward and recite poems with proper diction, intonation, enunciation and rhythm on stage.

Class 10 inter-class Speech Competition was held on 27 th August 2022. Students gave inspiring speeches by APJ Abdul Kalaam, Stephen Hawking, Martin Luther King, Rahul Bose, John Cena etc . The performances were entertaining as well as a great learning experience.



INSPIRING ASSEMBLIES

JUNIOR SCHOOL



The children of Class 3 A conducted an assembly on the theme "Stop Using Plastic".



A class assembly was conducted by Class 2B on 1st August on the occasion of Friendship Day. The topic was 'A Friend in Need, is a Friend in Deed'

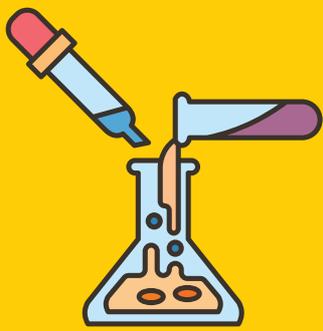
EDMUND RICE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM



A group of 160 boys from the Catechism stream were part of the ER Leadership Programme which was organized on the 2nd and 3rd of August. The programme consisted of a moderated Panel Discussion with the Alumni of the school, Input Sessions on Faith and Leadership, Interactive Sessions and Prayer. The Alumni that were invited were students who had worked through their academic and professional life and reached a milestone in their journey to success.



Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all



SYMSCI



The annual Inter-school Columban Science Symposium "SYMSCI" was held on the 29th of July. There were 2 competitions: Powerpoint Presentation Competition and Model-Making Competition.



THE COLUMBAN MUN

Mrs. R. Sebastian

COMMITTEES AND AGENDAS

- UNGA 
REVIEWING THE SITUATION IN YEMEN
- UNHRC 
COMBATING INTOLERANCE, DISCRIMINATION AND INCITEMENT TO VIOLENCE AGAINST PERSONS BASED ON RELIGION OR BELIEF
- UNCSW 
ADVANCING GENDER EQUALITY IN THE CONTEXT OF CLIMATE CHANGE, ENVIRONMENT AND DISASTER RISK REDUCTION
- SPECIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE PRIME MINISTER 
DELIBERATION ON TACKLING RISING UNEMPLOYMENT IN INDIA WITH EMPHASIS ON AGNEEPATH SCHEME.
- INTERNATIONAL PRESS 



This year this mega inter-school event was conducted on the 5th & 6th of August.

273 participants from 12 schools participated.



AWARDS SENIOR SCHOOL

Mrs. N. Menezes



The Annual Award Presentation Ceremony for the academic year 2021-2022 was held on the 18th of August 2022. The Chief Guest of the day was Mr. Dhruv Galgotia, CEO of the Galgotia University and an ex- Columban. The award presentation was followed by the release of the e-magazine "The Columban" by the Chief Guest.



Sword of Honour - Ansh Gupta



Columban of the Year - Suryansh Govind

RECOGNITIONS

Congratulations!

CLASS XII CBSE BOARD TOPPERS (2021-2022)



2ND - PRASHAM JAIN 98.2 %



1ST- SURYANSH GOVIND 98.4%



3RD - ANSH GUPTA 97.8 %

Heartiest congratulations to our toppers of class 12 of the batch 2021-22, for their brilliant performance in the CBSE BOARD EXAMS. We wish them all the very best for their future endeavours.

All
THINGS are
POSSIBLE
IF YOU
Believe

GOOD SAMARITANS

SCRIBES WHO HELP IN EXAMS!



From L to R:
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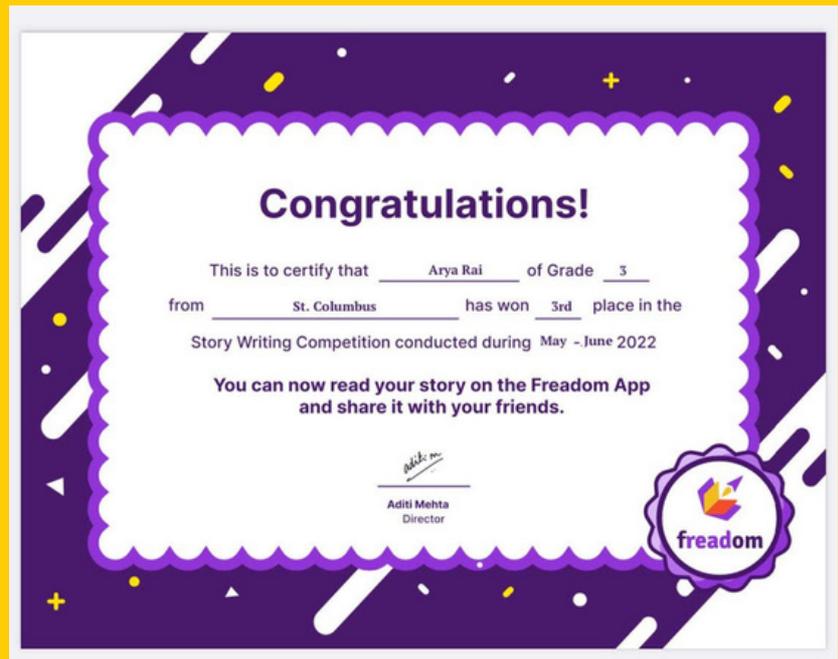
Uday Singh 10E

Ronel Jacob Mathew 10B

AWARD



ARYA RAI, CLASS 3



****You can read his story in last month's Newsletter**



Environment Club News



Environment Awareness & Disaster Management Society organized a plantation campaign drive in collaboration with an N.G.O in Aravali Hills Gurugram on 27th of July 2022. Total 33 students and two teachers went to the Plantation site.

Environment Club News



Class 12 students attended the session on E-Safai in Senior School library. The session was very informative regarding the Electronic Waste Management and mainly emphasized on Reduce, Reuse and Recycle the E-waste. Total 24 Students attended the session. The event was coordinated by the Environment Awareness & Disaster Management Society.

Coordinator - Mr. Ramakant Sharma

Football Champs!



**UNDER -19
1st POSITION**



**UNDER-14
3rd POSITION**



Congratulations



**UNDER-17
1ST POSITION**



Our Football Teams triumphed in the Zonal Tournaments that were conducted in the month of August. The Under-14 boys bagged the 3rd position, the Under-17 and Under-19 bagged the 1st position. SCS truly dominated the tournament. The sights were beautiful as the chants of SCS echoed the grounds of Modern School, Barakhamba Road.

More Football News



The SCS Senior Football Team played a friendly football match with the St. Stephen's College Football Team in the SCS field. St. Stephen's won the match with a score of 3-1 . It was a new and enthralling experience for all!

Sport is friendship,
Sport is health,
Sport is education,
Sport is life,
Sport brings the world together.

*Juan Antonio Samaranch,
1996 Olympic Games Opening Ceremony*

Do you recognize them?

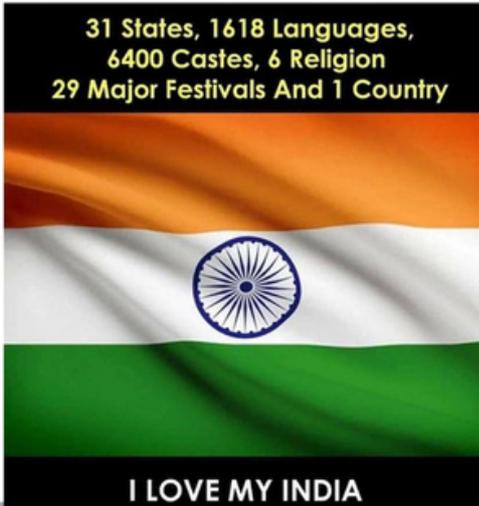
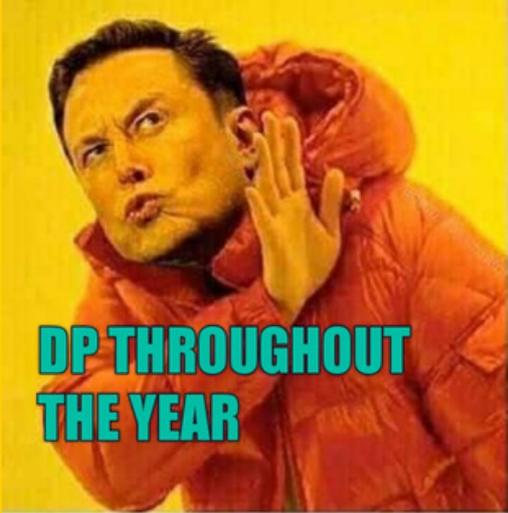
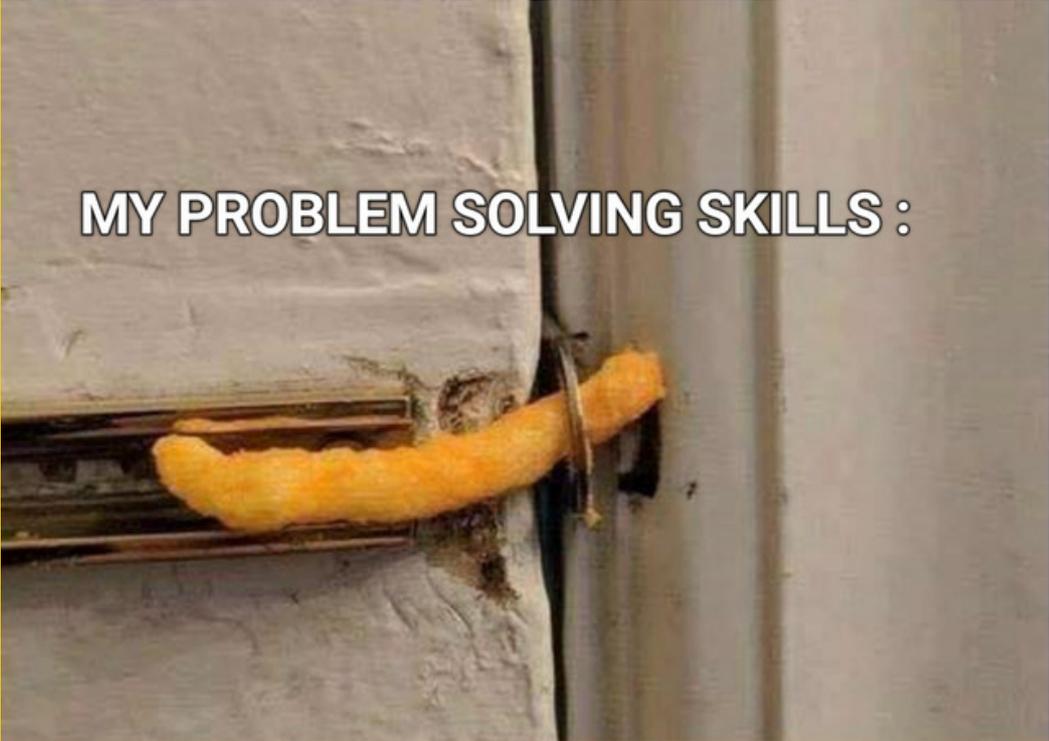


MEDAL TABLE

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1	Australia	67	57	54	178
2	England	57	66	53	176
3	Canada	26	32	34	92
4	India	22	16	23	61
5	New Zealand	20	12	17	49
6	Scotland	13	11	27	51
7	Nigeria	12	9	14	35
8	Wales	8	6	14	28

MEMES OF THE MONTH

Shaun Steni, 10E



HAVE SOME JUSTICE NEWS TO SHARE?

You all are invited to send in your own brilliant ideas on sustainable living, justice work reports, news articles, poems, artwork and paintings.

Send your awesome creativity or reports to the official Columban Newsdesk Email Id

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